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For
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Application Number	09/811,987
Filing Date	March 19, 2001
First Named Inventor	Buchmann, et al.
Group Art Unit	1711
Examiner Name	Sergeant, R.A.
Attorney Docket Number	IN-12075

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Preliminary Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for One-Month Extension of Time

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-2789.
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17
- iii. ☒ Other Any addition fees 06/02/2004 MAHMED1 00000045 09811987
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$880.00 enclosed 01 FC:1801 770.00 OP
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Docket # 12075

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Bruchmann et al.

Serial No.: 09/811,987

Group Art Unit: 1711

Filed: March 19, 2001

Examiner: Sergeant, R.

For: HIGH-FUNCTIONALITY ISOCYANATES

Docket No. 12075

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Box RCE
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application in conjunction with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination, please amend the claims as follows and consider the accompanying remarks. A request for a one-month extension of time accompanies this response and thus it is timely.